

W. C. T. U. Convention.

The district convention of the W. C. T. U. held in this city on Wednesday and Thursday of last week was most successful and the manifest interest and enthusiasm shown is very gratifying to the local Union.

The sessions of Wednesday evening and Thursday were held in the Brethren church which had been beautifully decorated for the occasion. Quantities of white ribbon, the badge of the Union, and white flowers were used with palms and ferns. A picture of the beloved Miss Willard held a conspicuous place, banked with white flowers and potted plants.

The convention convened Wednesday evening with Richardson county's vice president in the chair, Mrs. L. C. Mauger, who was called upon to preside in the absence of the president, Mrs. Boyle of Dawson.

The music was furnished by the gentlemen's quartette. A very hearty welcome was extended to the visitors by Mrs. Teeter which was responded to by Mrs. Atkinson of Pawnee county.

Mrs. Teats, the national evangelist, was the principal speaker of the evening. She is a very forceful, as well as a pleasing speaker; being a very close observing woman and of wide experience, she is always interesting and never fails to hold the attention of her audience.

Music followed Mrs. Teats' address during which a liberal collection was taken. The meeting closed with the benediction, to meet Thursday morning at 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Atkinson, president of Pawnee county, presided at the morning session. Owing to the absence of a number who were on the program for Thursday morning, this session was conducted in the form of an open conference, the discussions being general and very interesting and instructive. A fine paper on "Narcotics" was read by Mrs. Edie of Humboldt. The subject was ably handled and showed much study and thought. A general discussion followed.

A splendid dinner was served in the M. E. dining hall to the delegates, the local W. C. T. U. and their families, about sixty in all. Supper was also served there.

The afternoon session was carried out very much in accordance with the program, with the exception of Mrs. Edie's paper, on "Narcotics." The papers by Mrs. Robertson of Verdon and Mrs. Tyner of Salem were exceptionally good.

The meeting was under the general supervision of Mrs. Teats, and much enthusiasm was shown by all the delegates, the discussions being animated and interesting.

The convention closed with the Matron's contest Thursday evening at the Methodist church. The music for the evening was an organ voluntary by Etta Rieckers and several numbers by the gentlemen's quartette.

Seven ladies entered the contest, namely: Mrs. Van Horn, Pawnee City; Mrs. Butterfield and Mrs. Creid, Humboldt; Mrs. Bedoe and Mrs. Wood, Table Rock; Mrs. Nizda and Mrs. Swisgood, Verdon.

After much deliberation the judges awarded the medal to Mrs. Butterfield, the other contestants receiving bouquets of carnations tied with white ribbon.

The judges of the contest were Mrs. Tyner of Salem, Rev. Teeter and V. G. Lyford of Falls City.

At the close of the contest Mrs. Teats gave an interesting talk along general lines after which the convention closed with music and the benediction.

The entire session was most interesting and enthusiastic and as one mark of local interest shown it may be well to say that thirteen new names were added to the local W. C. T. U.

Much credit is due the Falls

City Union and their friends for the good management and success of the convention.

The delegates departed for their homes highly pleased with the success of the convention and the cordial hospitality shown them while in our city.

Hints on Good Form For Girls.

In entering and leaving a room, a young girl always permits an elder woman to precede her.

When introductions are under way, the youngest girl is the last to be introduced. She follows her mother, never precedes her, in advancing to me her hostess.

A well bred girl always rises when an elderly woman enters the room.

The older woman precedes the girl on entering a street car, carriage, restaurant or theater.

When entertained at a house party for young people, she will not fail to show courtesy and interest in the older members of the household.

After dancing, the young girl does not thank her partner. She has conferred the favor and he thanks her.

Having been entertained in the home of a girl or young man friend, whether the company be large or small, she does not leave the house without seeking the mother of her hostess and expressing appreciation of the hospitality.

A well bred girl will not absorb the conversation at an afternoon tea, lunch or dinner by telling flippant stories or petty gossip. She may secure a few laughs, but at the cost of respect for her good manners and young womanhood.—Ex.

Love That Helps the Child.

"Love and confidence," said Mrs. Grover Cleveland to a friend, "is the first grip to secure on the child. The child must have confidence in the parent, and the initial inspiration for that confidence must arise from love. The true kind of obedience is not easily secured if confidence is not first inspired, but once confidence is secured, obedience becomes a natural sequence.

"The mother's attitude toward all the duties of the home, do not escape the notice of the child, and, as the mother is powerful in self control, in striving to be an ideal to the child, so the child notes and grows into its own character.

"Firmness with a child has its truest value when it goes hand in hand with instruction. To tell a child that it must not do so and so just because another wills it is not enough. The child mind asks for reasons. It wishes to know why it must do this and that, and it is entitled to know. If it does not gain this information from the mother in the home, it certainly will gain it in a distorted way from the companions it meets outside of the home. I think it preferable for the child's own education, moral and physical, that the why and wherefore of parental orders should be given to it within the home circle.

"Child life, to reach its highest attainment, needs to feel the home is always its first and last refuge."—Ex.

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An effort is being made to organize a baseball league in this section of the state, including Pawnee City, Humboldt, Falls City, Tecumseh, Sterling, Beatrice, Wymore and possibly Nebraska City.—Tecumseh to Lincoln News.

Our ball club have signed with Weaver and Poteet, well known players of this section, for the season, and the next game will be on the home grounds next Tuesday afternoon at 2:30, Verdon and Humboldt. Come out and have a good game.—Humboldt Leader.

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It's Up to the Farmers.

"If the farmers will only take advantage of it, the detentured alcohol law, enacted by Congress a year ago and amended this year, will be of immense profit to them," declared Representative Ebenezer J. Hill of Connecticut at the Raleigh.

"I know of no reason why private stills should not be eventually in as general use as they are in Germany. In that country last year 90,000,000 bushels of potatoes were used by the farmers for manufacturing 70,000,000 gallons of alcohol. This was used for light, heat and fuel, practical appliances being in a high state of perfection. In this country, with the intelligence of the farmers and their native industry, I believe alcohol will largely supplant oil, as far as the farm is concerned. The final regulations for the carrying out of the law will be announced by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue about July 1st."—Washington Post.

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